

METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR CAPTURING AND RECOVERING
UNMANNED AIRCRAFT, INCLUDING A CLEAT FOR CAPTURING AIRCRAFT
ON A LINE

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods and apparatuses for capturing and recovering unmanned aircraft and other flight devices or projectiles are described. In one embodiment, the aircraft can be captured by a recovery line in flight, a process that can be aided by a line capture device having a retainer with two portions spaced apart by a distance great enough to receive the recovery line, e.g., to capture the recovery line with increased security. The line capture device can be operatively mounted on a lifting surface of the aircraft.